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Crusader 611 S. Palm Cyn Drive Suite 7-512 Palm Springs, CA 92264

RE: MUR 5089

Gloria Matta Tuchman for Congress

Dear Mr. Crusader:

The Federal Election Commission has considered the allegations contained in your complaint dated September 1, 2000, but was equally divided on whether to find reason to believe Gloria Matta Tuchman for Congress and Daralyn E. Reed, as Treasurer, violated section 441d(a) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). The Commission found reason to believe Gloria Matta Tuchman for Congress and Daralyn E. Reed, as Treasurer; Deborah Buelna; and Linda Coley violated section 441h of the Act. However, after considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission determined to take no further action. The Commission also found that there is no reason to believe the Democratic Party of Órange County FED PAC and Jim Pantone, as Treasurer; Deborah Buelna; and Linda Coley violated section 441d(a) of the Act. Accordingly, on February 24, 2004, the Commission closed the file in this matter. A copy of the General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information. Statements of Reasons explaining the Commission's actions will follow.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. *See* Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003).

The Federal Election Campaign Act allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(8). If you have any questions, please contact Kamau Philbert, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Lawrence H. Norton

General Counsel

BY. Lawrence L. Calvert Jr.

Deputy Associate General Counsel

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General Counsel's Report